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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116  
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PATENT

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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

John Stephen Smith

Application No.: 09/877,640

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR  
FABRICATING SELF-ASSEMBLING  
MICROSTRUCTURES

Customer No.: 20350

Confirmation No.: 9716

Examiner: Thomas L. Dickey

Technology Center/Art Unit: 2826

AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed April 21, 2004, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 18 of this paper.